

SPORTS



Moscow Lokomotiv beat visiting Kiev Aviator, 22-20, in a recent national rugby championship. Photo by Sergei Proskov

MOSCOW ATHLETICS TOURNAMENT

Alexander Beskrovny triple-jumped to a distance of 17 m 62 cm to win a Moscow track-and-field championship title. A possible choice for the national line-up for the European championship, due to be held in Athens on September 6-12, Beskrovny is in fine fettle for the national championship which

opens in Kiev, in two weeks' time.

Another highlight of the tournament held at the Lenin Central Stadium, in Luhansk, was Nikolai Selyanov's 550 cm pole vault, with world record holder Vladimir Polyakov finishing ten centimetres behind.

BOXING CHAMPIONS KNOWN

The 12 winners of the 48th National Boxing Championship which has just held at the Druzhba Palace of Sport, in Donetsk, are as follows: Radik Khusnutdinov, from Chelyabinsk; Yuri Alekseyev, from Novosibirsk; Samson Khachaturyan, from Kirovakan; Serik Nurkazov, from Karkov.

MODERN PENTATHLON

Britain, Australia, Denmark, Canada, Mexico, the USSR, the USA, West Germany, France and Sweden are competing in the second women's world pentathlon championships being held at the old French town of Compiègne.

The Soviet debutant team features young Muscovites Olga

HOCKEY STARTS IN AUGUST

Moscow's Spartak have been the first to start the season of international matches by playing a friendly game with the local club of Ertz Schwenningen in the West German town of Willingen.

Schwenningen, winning 7-3.

Late in August, the Soviet

champions—CAC of Moscow—will take part in the first official tournament of the European Cup series.



Moscow Dynamo and Torpedo drew 1-1. Photo by Igor Litov

CUCO GREETS ATHLETES

Cuba, Mexico, Venezuela and the Dominican Republic have the largest teams, and Nicaragua has entered as many as 280 athletes.

Grenada, a newcomer to international sport, will be making its debut.

The Games have the ever-amazing baby crocodile Cucco as its mascot, with the host's motto being, "Hospitality, Fighting Spirit and Quality for the 14th Games!"

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THE WORLD

Mexican president raps USA

Mexico. The Mexicans are not convinced by the arguments addressed to Cuba, the Soviet Union and Nicaragua by the Reagan administration, alleging that they are responsible for the worsening situation in Central America, said Miguel de la Madrid Hurtado, Mexican President-elect, who is to be sworn in on December 1. In an interview with the American magazine, "US News and World Report", he said he saw the intensified fighting first and foremost as a reflection of the people's unwillingness to suffer under the yoke of corrupt regimes and their desire to use their right for self-determination. We have no grounds to believe that this popular protest is provoked or stimulated by the Cubans, Nicaraguans or, least of all, by the Soviet Union. Each nation, he stressed, has a right to solve its problems itself.

AMERICA BLAMED

FOR ATROCITIES IN EL SALVADOR

Washington. The American administration, which is providing growing military and economic assistance to the regime in El Salvador bears full responsibility for the reign of terror in that country and for the death of hundreds of civilians. Such is the conclusion of the US-Central America commission, just back from a trip to El Salvador. A special report it submitted to the House Inter-American Affairs Subcommittee stresses that it is emphasized in the report.

SECRET REORGANIZATION

Paris. The United States is discreetly reorganizing its special branch units, designed to carry out secret operations, in case of conflict in Europe and in the Persian Gulf area, the newspaper "Matin" reports.

QUOTATION OF THE DAY

For a long time there have been growing suspicions among the NATO partners that the Americans seek to divert hostilities from themselves and to foment a new war to Western Europe.

"General-Anzeiger" newspaper, West Germany

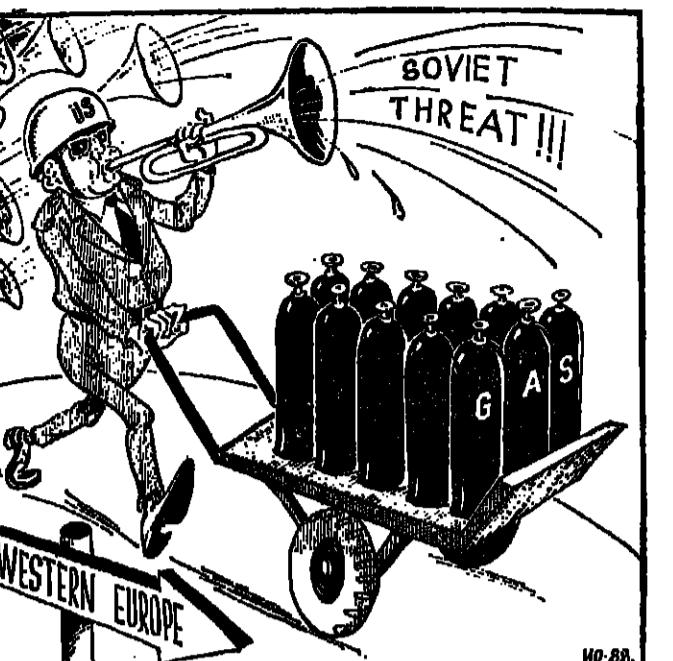
VIEWPOINT

SOVIET-INDIAN RELATIONS IN WORLD POLITICS

By long-standing tradition, every early August marks the beginning of a Month of Friendship between the Indian and Soviet peoples. The Month is held in turn in India and the Soviet Union. This year, it marks the 15th anniversary of the Treaty of Peace, Friendship and Cooperation between the USSR and the Republic of India as well as the 35th anniversary of India's independence.

If we look back in time, we will see that the Soviet Union backed India when she was fighting against British colonial rule, the USSR backed her during the period when an independent Indian state was being formed; when she set up an independent economy, and when, under pressure from imperialism and hegemonism, India defended her national interests.

Soviet-Indian relations can be justifiably held up as a model for links between sister having different social systems. They are based on full mutual respect for the characteristics of the foreign policy of either side, on strict compliance with the wishes of independent nations.



Operation "gas-pipes", as staged by Washington.

Drawing by Yuri Ivanov

CHANGE OF VENUE FOR NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

Baghdad. Iraq is abandoning its plans to host the Seventh Non-Aligned Summit in Baghdad on September 6. This was announced by the Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in an interview to the Iraq news agency INA. He believes that the Summit should be held in another location, as the situation in Baghdad is unsuitable for normal work in view of the continuing Iran-Iraq conflict. The Iraqi President stressed that the Summit should be held in conditions conducive to its success.

Delhi. The Indian government has expressed readiness to host the Seventh Non-Aligned Summit in Delhi provided that all

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the non-aligned countries are in agreement.

This was announced here by an official spokesman for the Indian government who said that the Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had informed the Iraqi President S. Hussein of her consent to Iraq's request that the Seventh Non-Aligned Summit be held in Delhi, while Baghdad might be the venue for the Eighth Summit, to be held in 1985.

The spokesman noted that proposal had to be approved by the Conference of Non-Aligned Foreign Ministers who are to meet on September 2-3, in Baghdad.

Brussels. The Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander of NATO in Europe has announced that military manoeuvres code-named "Autumn Forge-82" are to be held over the entire NATO area from Nordcap in the north of Norway to the Mediterranean and the eastern borders of Turkey between early September and mid-November this year.

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The USSR and India are of the opinion that this region is a sphere of vital interest to the peoples thereof. Whether Asia remains a region of tension and conflict or turns into an area of peaceful cooperation depends on their effort and cohesion. Moscow and Delhi firmly believe outstanding issues in Asia and worldwide ought to be settled peacefully.

The USSR and India have identical or close view on major foreign policy issues. In both world politics and bilateral relations they pursue the cause of peace, friendship as keynotes in their Treaty, whose durability and import have well stood the test of time. The three years that have elapsed since the Treaty was signed are striking evidence that it is not directed against third countries. The implementation of its major provisions have upgraded Soviet-Indian relations to get still higher levels, and it will remain a tremendously positive factor in Asia as well as in the world at large in years to come. Cooperation with a peace-loving and independent India has been and will always be a major feature in Soviet foreign policy.

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'JANUS' PROGRAMME ON

New York. The Pentagon has begun training the American officer corps in "limited" nuclear warfare techniques in Western Europe. According to data leaked to the "Time" magazine, the first command-headquarters game imitating combat operations and making use of the biggest US computer was held last year in Livermore, California, in the Lawrence radiation laboratory.

The games marked the start of a 2,045,000 dollar programme code-named "Janus". Training in methods of "limited" nuclear war, using the California "computer game", forms part of the curriculum of the American Army military college, in Pennsylvania.

FACTS and EVENTS

As many as 2,365,000 Americans have signed an appeal backing the proposal for a mutual freeze in American and Soviet nuclear arsenals, according to a statement circulated by a public coalition — the National Campaign to Freeze Nuclear Weapons.

5,846 people died and another 78,000 were injured in road accidents in Britain last year, it is stated in a Department of Transport annual report. It was also noted that there had been a sharp rise lately in the number of such accidents nationwide.

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ions of the biggest developing nation? Likely when one remembers that the current Washington administration is cold-shouldering its own allies. More important still, under its new military strategy, America is planning to shift emphasis in planning and use of armed forces towards South-West Asia and the Indian Ocean, which have been proclaimed a sphere of American vital interests.

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THE WORLD



KENYA: VICTIMS OF ABORTIVE COUP

Nairobi. Reuter-TASS, 145 people died in the August 1 abortive coup, Kenyan president Daniel arap Moi told a closed session of the parliamentary group of the country's only party, the Kenyan African National Union. Western diplomatic circles, though, put the death toll at over 300. According to Moi, Kenya's trade and industry suffered losses of over a hundred million dollars.

PEOPLE

36-year-old Tomohito, the eldest son of the Japanese emperor's brother, is seventh in line for succession to the Japanese throne. Nevertheless, he formed part of the emperor's immediate circle and lived in the palace. A short while ago, he publicly shaved off his beard and went to live in a modest room reserved for members of staff at a hospital in the centre of Tokyo. Here he gave a press conference and explained the reasons for his decision to turn over a new leaf. He said he had become fed up with the meaningless way of life and the archaic ceremonial in the emperor's palace where from dawn to dusk one had to observe the numerous prescriptions of imperial etiquette. The prince has declared that he will never return to the palace, that he has decided to become an ordinary mortal, and that he will start his new life by working in the hospital.

Experts believe that this was the site of the ancient town of Scolozum.

DO YOU SPEAK WEDDELL?

Murmuring, coughing, warbling, whistling. These were just some of the sounds recorded by an American Antarctic expedition interested in the language of the Weddell seal named after the British explorer who discovered the species in 1800. According to the Italian

new method of controlling glaucoma and other eye diseases has been thought up by Japanese scientists. They have devised contact lenses made from a synthetic substance which contain a medicine for curing cataracts. By being transferred from the lens to the eye surface over a long period of time the medicine in this way has a much more beneficial effect than if it is introduced into the eye from time to time.

'SIMBA ACADEMY' GIVES OUT AWARDS

The presidential council of the "Simba Academy", an international organization monitoring relations with developing countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America, has presented its 1982 international awards to Valentino Nikolayevich Terekhova for her contribution to the women's movement, noted Soviet film director Sergei Bondarchuk for his cinematic contribution, former Finnish President Urho Kekkonen for his contribution to the peace, drive, chairman of the Swedish Social Democratic Labour Party Olaf Palme, who is active in the

peasant campaign. Greek Minister of Culture and Sciences Melina Mercouri for her cultural contribution and to other distinguished public figures in various countries.

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Seventeen-year-old Mexican acrobat Miguel Valdezquez has succeeded in performing a quadruple somersault, feat that has been unsuccessfully attempted by athletes and acrobats for the past 123 years. Valdezquez somersaulted to triumph in the Barnum and Bailey circus in Tucson, Arizona, in the presence of 7,000 spectators.

OF INTEREST

Are you stupid?

West German police have arrested a chemist named Schmidt for producing and distributing a drug which can't be found in any pharmaceutical reference book in the world, as it is purported to remedy stupidity. Reports about his arrest have been published in many West German newspapers. Although the judge in the case have not yet given a verdict, he has been waiting for witnesses to come forward to give evidence.

885 years jail sentence

Panchapong Insop, a resident of Thailand, has had his jail sentence reduced to 885 years.

The country's supreme court

overruled a 1,001-year sentence

imposed on him by a criminal court.

Insop is doing time for

charges of having participated in a robbery (over 500,000 baht, less than \$50,000)

in September 1979, in the Phitsanulok province, Thailand.

He was sentenced to 1,001 years

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HOME NEWS

Round the Soviet Union

THE FINAL VOLUME OF THE "KAZAKHSTAN SOIL ENCYCLOPEDIA" HAS GONE TO PRINT. This 15-volume edition contains maps and data on all land resources in the republic. It provides information on soil quality as well as giving advice on reclaiming fallow land. The encyclopaedia will help local farmers establish zonal agriculture and put saline land under the plough. Thanks to plans for the reclamation of saline soil over 3,000,000 extra hectares of land will be made available to agriculture in the current five-year plan period [1981-1985].

AN EXHIBITION OF GEORGIAN POTTERY WHICH HAS OPENED IN TBILISI, THE REPUBLIC'S CAPITAL, FEATURES OLD AND MODERN CERAMICS. The best items will later be used as models for the production of pottery in the republic.

FACTORIES IN MOLDAVIA HAVE BEGUN PROCESSING NUTMEG SAGE. This season the republic is due to provide the perfumery industry with 21,000 kilos of sage oil, of which it is the country's leading producer.

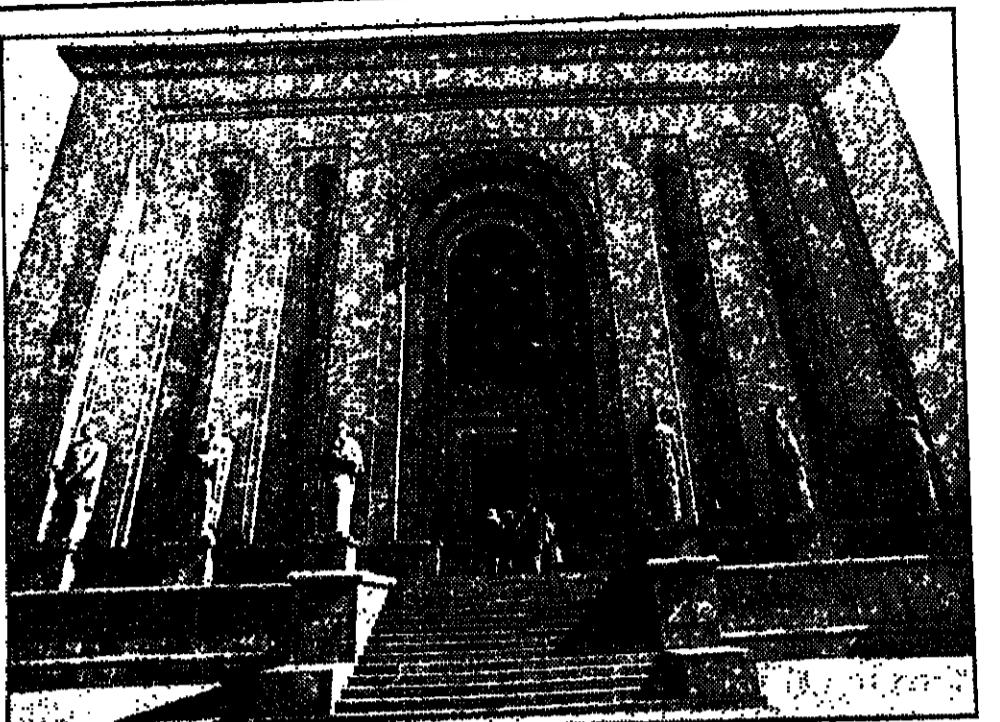
'STONE PICKERS'

ON THE JOB

The principle employed in the harvesting of potatoes forms the basis of a new machine to collect stones from the field.

A powerful vibratory shaver off a preset layer of soil and directs it to the separator, where the soil is crushed and sieved. A special collector is used for storing stones.

Designers in Leningrad have already made several "pickers" for small and medium-size stones. Now they have produced a "stone picker" capable of handling boulders weighing up to 1.5 tonnes. One "stone picker" can collect over 120 cubic metres of stones in a shift.



MATENADARAN

The largest centre for the study and preservation of the ancient manuscripts of Armenia and of the other Oriental countries is situated in the Armenian capital of Yerevan. It is called Matenadaran, which in ancient Armenian means library or a repository of manuscripts. Gradually the word came to be adopted as the name of the manuscript centre, founded back in the 5th century at the office of the supreme patriarch of Armenia.

The Lazar Gospel is the earliest (807) dated manuscript in the Matenadaran. The largest, the Much-Solemn Book, weighing 28 kilograms and measuring 51 by 70 centimetres, was made in 1202. The smallest at 3 by 4 centimetres and weighing 10 grammes is the Calendar—written in 1434.

There are 15,700 manuscripts in Matenadaran. They are in Arabic, Persian, Greek, Latin, Old Slavonic and other languages.

Besides its collection of manuscripts, the Matenadaran also has a rich store of archive material containing over one hundred thousand documents pertaining to the 14th-19th centuries. Among them are various decrees, charters, agreements, letters and certificates of purchase, containing a wealth of material on the history of the political, social and economic life of Armenia and on that of its neighbours.



Stone that makes water softer

Geologists in Yakutia have discovered a large deposit of zeolite, the first in the northeast of the country. It is located in the taiga region bordering the Vitim River.

Zeolite features a high hydroscopic ability, it rapidly absorbs water and gases and easily releases them when heated. Because of these qualities it can be used for cleaning the air and other gases, and as a water softener. It is efficiently used for removing water from transportable gas and for extracting impurities from fumes.

The mineral has one more advantage: when added to fodder at a rate of 8 to 10 per cent it improves the productivity of cattle and poultry, and upgrades meat.

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PROFILES

VLADIMIR FOKIN

Some 15 or 20 years ago constellations of new bright directorial talent appeared on the horizon of the film world: Daniela, Tarkovsky, Averbach, Kozintsev, Tarkovsky, Kuchalovsky... But while the work of these directors has considerably added to the status of the Soviet film industry, new talent is slow in coming forward. The thing is that today to be noticed, an up-and-coming director has to show the sort of style in his very first work which his predecessors only arrived at after years and even decades of practice. Vladimir Fokin, however, managed to draw attention to himself right from the start.

The script for Fokin's first film was unpromising to say the least. An old chieftain of a detective story with all the usual clichés: a wise, re-trained police chief, a hot-tempered and inexperienced young detective who, reprimanded by his elders, ends up by capturing a famous bandit with his own hands. Fokin showed what he was capable of and, what is more, his fine sense of humour by transforming the slack, trite script into a charming parody. Mind you, it could also be taken as a straight whodunit but the producer seemed to be prodding us to see the funny side. And laugh the audience did, throughout the film. There was no mistaking its success. And this was not just an artistic triumph—the film was also commercially successful: Fokin managed to make a two-part film on the money allocated for one part. There were certain prerequisites for Fokin's immediate mastery of his art: Firstly, Fokin had entered the Film Institute as an adult with a professional career behind him—education at a polytechnical institute, army service, and time spent teaching maths. Secondly, he was a diligent and dedicated student at the Film Institute, receiving only top marks over four years of studies!

After the "Militia Story" there was every reason to suppose that Fokin would join the ranks of directors of comic films for he had achieved both directly and indirectly, what is by no means always achieved by the former—his movie was really funny. But at this point the young director decided to make a right-about turn in his choice of subject. And his second film, "Alexander the Little" was a psychological drama about the last war, about the children who came under its ruthless fire. Of course a countless number of books, plays and films had been written and made on the subject. But Fokin and his scriptwriters (good ones this time) managed to find a new approach to this well-known theme: his movie was about German children, the children of those who had unleashed the war, the most monstrous in the history of mankind, about their sufferings, their burnt-out childhood, about the mark that their contact with fascism had left on their souls. While producing a film full of humanity and love for mankind, Fokin managed to avoid petty dramatizations or capitalizing on the "children and war" theme.

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FACTS and EVENTS

Restoration. Restoration work on the Madrasah Shergazi-Khan architectural ensemble in Khiva (Uzbekistan) has been completed. The wall paintings and majolica frescos of the cupolas shine again in their original splendour. The madrasah has been reopened to tourists.

Cinema. The Moscow Gorky Studios of Children's Films is shooting "The Star and Death of Joaquin Murietta" based on a play of the same name by the Chilean poet Pablo Neruda and on Alexei Rybnikov's rock opera. Producer is Vladimir Grammatikov.

prints he came up with his own perception of the ancient tales.

The show forms part of the Month of Soviet-Indian Friendship at present in progress in this country, commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Treaty of Peace, Friendship and Cooperation between the USSR and India as well as the 35th anniversary of India's independence.

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Tales of Rama and Krishna in colour

"Molis of the Indian Epic" is the title of an exhibition by Vladimir Serabrovsky, featuring illustrations to tales of Rama and Krishna, now to be seen at Moscow's House of Friendship. Serabrovsky, a theatre artist, has never set foot in India but has always been addicted to her great and ancient culture.

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Some of the illustrations to the Rama and Krishna tales.

BUSINESS

GARDENS AND PARKS ATLAS COPCO— IN LENINGRAD IMPORTANT PARTNER

Leningrad's Central Exhibition Hall is now the venue for a show, entitled "Leningrad's 18th-20th century garden and park decoration in art works by artists and architects", featuring around a thousand paintings, graphic sheets, blueprints, designs and architectural models providing a broad idea of how the landscape of the "Northern

Palms" was formed, put up with an exciting gun, unique materials from 18th-century gardens and parks, to hold the hydraulic gun, books were put on the shelf for the first time.

Among the items on display is a massive granite slab, a large section of a crack and a chunk of it fell by the hydraulic impact.

The company sells products in the Soviet Union to our chief customer, he said. We have made a close agreement with the 26th CPSU Central Committee and, in particular, the guidelines for economic and social development. These project a massive

amount of work for the 11th five-year plan period (1981-85), specifically in construction and mining, where use will be made of our equipment. We are also taking your vast scientific and technological potential into account. We know that the idea of the "hydraulic impact" was at one time thought up by your scientists. Just as were many other innovative ideas. Wahstrom said; this is why we can benefit from scientific and technological cooperation with the Soviet Union and from the steady exchange of information to find a joint solution to the complex technical problems confronting our industry, he emphasized.

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Dancers from the Moscow Ballet on Ice company, centre: Lyudmila Chetverikhin, Merited Master of Sports and many-time silver medalist in European, World and Olympic competitions.

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Contacts and contracts

© A representative of the Greek Metallis power corporation works the last unit, the working wheel, of a third turbine for the Purnary power station. Two Kharov-made machines have already been assembled there, and the third will be completed this year.

© Mashproriborg and Machinolport of the USSR will receive in 1982 a set of radio relay equipment and powerful pumps produced by the Finnish companies Nokia and Serelachus.

© An agreement has been signed, providing for the further strengthening of trade and economic ties between the USSR and Grenada in accordance with the development of agreements reached during the recent visit to Moscow of a Party and Government delegation from Grenada.

INDIA'S AIR ROUTES

Nearly eight million passengers a year are flown by planes belonging to Air India and the Indian Air Lines, said A. P. Sharma, the Indian Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation.

For over a quarter of a century India has had air links with the Soviet Union. Under an existing agreement, Air India's and Aeroflot's planes are jointly flying the route between Moscow and Delhi, carrying nearly 30 thousand passengers a year.

EXHIBITION IN THE PHILIPPINES

The first Soviet exhibition in the Philippines was opened by L. Villegas, Minister for Trade of the Republic of the Philippines. Stankolimport was among the Soviet foreign trade organizations that took part in the exhibition.

Stankolimport showed a wide range of Soviet-made antifreeze bearings, a product that is in demand on the local market. In 1979 Stankolimport shipped 100 thousand dollars worth of GPZ bearings to the Philippines, and in the following year it entered into an agency agreement with the United Bearing Industrial Corp., which immediately put in an order for three times this amount of bearings. Its subsidiary, Bearing Service Co., is responsible for sales of bearings countrywide.

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SOVIET AID FOR MONGOLIAN AGRICULTURE

In the Mongolian People's Republic there are now over 40 state and fodder farms as well as agricultural amalgamations and mechanical dairies built with Soviet assistance.

With Soviet assistance, they account for half of the state sector produce, says S. Sodnomdzor, Mongolian Minister of Agriculture.

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